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Applicant : Per MANSSON et al. Confirmation No: 3651
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OF SEVERAL INDIVIDUAL ANALYTES IN A SOLUTION,
AND A DISPOSABLE FLOW CELL FOR USE THEREIN

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the notice of non-complaint appeal brief mailed on July 30, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application. This response is timely filed.

This notice requires the filing of a new summary and not an entire new brief. Applicants submit herewith the required corrected summary in which claim 14 has been changed to read claim 10, the only independent claim on appeal. The number 14 was a typographical error for 10.

This was confirmed in a telephone interview with Tracy M. Young on August 28, 2008. Please enter this correction and forward the appeal brief to the Examiner for early consideration and allowance of this application.

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41.37 (c)(1)(v). SUMMARY OF CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER

Claim 10 claims: A multiple piezoelectric crystal microbalance device comprising a connecting station (100,101) for receiving and individually operating an array of piezoelectric crystal microbalances and a plurality of individually detachable piezoelectric crystal microbalance flow-through cells for engaging with the connecting station, wherein the connecting station comprises: (Page 5, lines 12-14 and Fig. 1.)

a connecting panel (112; 113) having an array of cell connecting receptors (118), each cell connecting receptor comprising a receptor connector portion (120) for automatic mating operative engagement with a cell connector portion (24) of said piezoelectric crystal microbalance flow-through cell (10) upon plugging said flow-through cell (10) into the connecting station (100,101), (page 5, lines 15-18 and Fig. 1.) and wherein the receptor connector portion (120) comprises:

a pair of electric connecting ports (126, 128) for communication with a power and measurement means (130) for oscillating a piezoelectric crystal (50) carrying two electrodes (56,62) in a cell compartment (34) of one operatively engaged flow-through cell (10) and for measuring oscillating characteristics of the piezoelectric crystal (50); and (Page 5, lines 18-20.)

a pair of fluid connecting ports (122, 124) for communication with flowing means (70) for uninterrupted flowing of a solution (75) and a test solution aliquot (83) to, and through, the cell compartment (34). (Page 5, lines 23 and 24.)